

6-15-04 B.J.H

Appl. No.

09/728,725

Confirmation No. 5313

Applicant

Roland L. Fernandez, et al.

Filed

December 1, 2000

Group Art Unit:

2173

Examiner

Namitha Pillai

Docket No.

MFCP.76396

Customer No.:

05251

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 RECEIVED

MAY 2 7 2004

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Technology Center 2100

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the final Office Action dated December 30, 2003. An Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, along with a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time was filed in the US Patent and Trademark Office on April 8, 2004. Also enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal. This extension will extend the time the response is due from April 30, 2004 to May 30, 2004.

- The second month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$310.00.
- Charge \$310.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-2112 referencing docket no. MFCP.76396.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2112 referencing docket no. MFCP.76396.

N

Dated: May 24, 2004

05/25/2004 HVUDNG1 00000086 192112 09728725

02 FC:1252

310.00 DA

Kerry H. Owens

Reg. No. 37,412

SHOOK, HARDY & BACON L.L.P.

2555 Grand Boulevard

Respectfully submitted,

Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Phone: (816) 474-6550